

**DAMAGE SURVEY REPORT (DSR)**  
**Emergency Watershed Protection Program - Recovery**

**Section 1A**

Date of Report: 09/22/2005

DSR Number: 117-05-006K Project Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**NRCS Entry Only**

Eligible: YES ☐ NO ☐  
Approved: YES ☐ NO ☐  
Funding Priority Number (from Section 4) \_\_\_\_\_  
Limited Resource Area: YES ☐ NO ☐

**Section 1B Sponsor Information**

Sponsor Name: City of Bogalusa

Address: P.O. Drawer 1179

City/State/Zip: Bogalusa, LA 70429-1179

Telephone Number: (985) 730-4397

Fax: (985) 735-9308

**Section 1C Site Location Information**

County: Washington

State: Louisiana

Congressional District: 01

*Start*  
Latitude: 30.75730

*Start*  
Longitude: 89.87110

Section: 26 Township: T-3-S Range: R-13-E

*End* 30.76736  
UTM Coordinates: UTM-16

*End* 89.87183

Drainage Name: Yellow Branch - LAT 1

Reach: 4300 FT

Damage Description: Large trees and other debris blocking channel flow

**Section 1D Site Evaluation**

All answers in this Section must be YES in order to be eligible for EWP assistance.

| Site Eligibility   | YES                                 | NO                       | Remarks |
|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Damage was a result of a natural disaster?*  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Recovery measures would be for runoff retardation or soil erosion prevention?*                               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Threat to life and/or property?*   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Event caused a sudden impairment in the watershed?*  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Imminent threat was created by this event?*  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| For structural repairs, not repaired twice within ten years?*  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| <b>Site Defensibility</b>  |                                     |                          |         |
| Economic, environmental, and social documentation adequate to warrant action (Go to pages 3, 4, 5 and 6 ***) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Proposed action technically viable? (Go to Page 9 ***)   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |

Have all the appropriate steps been taken to ensure that all segments of the affected population have been informed of the EWP program and its possible effects? YES ☒ NO ☐

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Statutory

\*\* Regulation

\*\*\* DSR Pages 3 through 5 are required to support the decisions recorded on this summary page. If additional space is needed on this or any other page in this form, add appropriate pages.

### Section 1E Proposed Action

Describe the preferred alternative from Findings: Section 5 A:

Remove and dispose debris and large trees from the channel

Total installation cost identified in this DSR: Section 3: \$ 124,925.00

### Section 1F NRCS State Office Review and Approval

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Reviewed: \_\_\_\_\_  
State EWP Program Manager

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
State Conservationist

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## Section 2 Environmental Evaluation

| 2A Resource Concerns           | 2B Existing Condition          | 2C Alternative Designation                                 |   |   |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|---|
|                                |                                | Proposed Action  | No Action                                       | Alternative                             |
|                                |                                | Remove and dispose debris and large trees from the channel | Leave all debris and large trees in the channel | Remove only the debris from the channel |
| 2D Effects of Alternatives     |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Soil</b>                    |                                |  |   |   |
| Bank erosion                   | 20-T/ac                        | 5-T/ac   | 20-T/ac   | 10-T/ac                                 |
| Soil Quality                   | Reduce soil quality            | Soil quality enhanced                                      | Reduce soil quality                             | Soil quality enhanced                   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Water</b>                   |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Downstream water rights</b> |                                |  |   |   |
| DO                             | Low DO                         | Improved DO  | Low DO  | Improved DO                             |
| BOD                            | High BOD                       | Improved BOD   | High BOD  | Improved BOD                            |
| SS/Turbidity                   | Increased SS/Turbidity         | Decrease SS/ Turbidity                                     | Increased SS/Turbidity                          | Decrease SS/ Turbidity                  |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Air</b>                     |                                |  |   |   |
| PM-10                          | Attainment                     | Attainment   | Attainment                                      | Attainment                              |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Plant</b>                   |                                |  |   |   |
| Aquatic health/vigor           | Aquatic health/vigor decreased | Aquatic health/vigor increased                             | Aquatic health/vigor decreased                  | Aquatic health/vigor increased          |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Animal</b>                  |                                |  |   |   |
| Aquatic habitat                | Quality reduced                | Quality increased  | Quality reduced                                 | Quality increased                       |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
| <b>Other</b>                   |                                |  |   |   |
| Aesthetics                     | Poor due to clutter            | Improved by debris removal                                 | Poor due to clutter                             | Improved by debris removal              |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |
|                                |                                |  |   |   |

## Section 2E Special Environmental Concerns

| Resource Consideration             | Existing Condition   | Alternatives and Effects   |   |   |
|------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|
|                                    |  | Proposed Action  | No Action   | Alternative   |
| Clean Water Act Waters of the U.S. | Poor water quality/Low DO High BOD   | Improved water quality   | Poor water quality  | Improved water quality  |
| Coastal Zone Management Areas      | N/A  | N/A  | N/A   | N/A   |
| Coral Reefs                        | N/A  | N/A  | N/A   | N/A   |
| Cultural Resources                 | (FOTG)<br>None observed on-site  | (FOTG)<br>None observed on-site  | (FOTG)<br>None observed on-site   | (FOTG)<br>None observed on-site   |
| Endangered and Threatened Species  | (FOTG)<br>Federal/State List<br>None observed on-site  | (FOTG)<br>Federal/State List<br>None observed on-site                                | (FOTG)<br>Federal/State List<br>None observed on-site                           | (FOTG)<br>Federal/State List<br>None observed on-site                               |
| Environmental Justice              | Increased risk of flooding to low income and minorities  | Decreased risk of flooding to low income and minorities                              | Increased risk of flooding to low income and minorities                         | Decreased risk of flooding to low income and minorities                             |
| Essential Fish Habitat             | (FOTG)<br>No EFH   | (FOTG)<br>No EFH   | (FOTG)<br>No EFH  | (FOTG)<br>No EFH  |
| Fish and Wildlife Coordination     | State level review by project type with USFWS & LDWF; Consultation not required for debris removal | State level review by project type with USFWS & LDWF; Consultation not required      | State level review by project type with USFWS & LDWF; Consultation not required | State level review by project type with USFWS & LDWF; Consultation not required     |
| Floodplain Management              | 100-year floodplain function is impaired   | 100-year floodplain function is restored   | 100-year floodplain function is impaired  | 100-year floodplain function is restored  |
| Invasive Species                   | None identified  | None identified  | None identified   | None identified   |
| Migratory Birds                    | Food and cover quality reduced   | Food and cover quality improved  | Food and cover quality reduced  | Food and cover quality improved   |
| Natural Areas                      | (FOTG)<br>None present   | (FOTG)<br>None present   | (FOTG)<br>None present  | (FOTG)<br>None present  |
| Prime and Unique Farmlands         | (FOTG)<br>None present   | (FOTG)<br>None present   | (FOTG)<br>None present  | (FOTG)<br>None present  |
| Riparian Areas                     | Riparian Area impacted by flooding due to debris accumulation                                      | Riparian Area improved by debris removal   | Riparian Area impacted by flooding due to debris accumulation                   | Riparian Area improved by debris removal  |
| Scenic Beauty                      | (FOTG)<br>None present   | (FOTG)<br>None present   | (FOTG)<br>None present  | (FOTG)<br>None present  |
| Wetlands                           | Open water containing debris Emergent/wooded wetlands also altered with debris                     | Debris removed from open water and adjacent to stream Wetland not adversely impacted | Open water containing debris Emergent/wooded wetlands also altered with debris  | Debris removed from open water and adjacent to stream Wetland not adversely impacts |
| Wild and Scenic Rivers             | LDWF-List within a reach of a scenic River   | LDWF-List within a reach of a scenic River   | LDWF-List within a reach of a scenic River                                      | LDWF-List within a reach of a scenic River  |

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Section 2F Economic

This section must be completed by each alternative considered (attach additional sheets as necessary).

|  | Future Damages (\$) | Damage Factor (%) | Near Term Damage Reduction |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|
| Properties Protected (Private)   |                     |                   |                            |
| 12 Homes @ \$60,000 per Home   | 720,000.00          | 25                | 180,000.00                 |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
| Properties Protected (Public)  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
| Business Losses  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
| Other  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
|  |                     |                   |                            |
| Total Near Term Damage Reduction \$                                      |                     |                   | 180,000.00                 |
| Net Benefit (Total Near Term Damage Reduction minus Cost from Section 3) |                     |                   | 55,075.00                  |

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Date: 09/26/2005

**Section 2G Social Consideration** This section must be completed by each alternative considered

(attach additional sheets as necessary).

|   | YES                                 | NO                                  | Remarks |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Has there been a loss of life as a result of the watershed impairment?  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |         |
| Is there the potential for loss of life due to damags from the wate rshed impairment?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |         |
| Has access to a hospital or medical facility been impaired by watershed impairment?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |         |
| Has the community as a whole been adversely impacted by the watershed impairment (life and property ceases to operate in a normal capacity) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |         |
| Is there a lack or has there been a reduction of public safety due to watershed impairment?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |         |

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**Section 2H Group Representation and Disability Information****This section is completed only for the preferred alternative selected.**

| Group Representation                                 | Number |
|--|--------|
| American Indian/Alaska Native Female Hispanic        |        |
| American Indian/Alaska Native Female Non-Hispanic    |        |
| American Indian/Alaska Native Male Hispanic          |        |
| American Indian/Alaska Native Male Non-Hispanic      |        |
| Asian Female Hispanic                                |        |
| Asian Female Non-Hispanic                            |        |
| Asian Male Hispanic                                  |        |
| Asian Male Non-Hispanic                              |        |
| Black or African American Female Hispanic            |        |
| Black or African American Female Non-Hispanic        | 13     |
| Black or African American Male Hispanic              |        |
| Black or African American Male Non-Hispanic          | 11     |
| Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander Female Hispanic     |        |
| Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander Female Non-Hispanic |        |
| Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander Male Hispanic       |        |
| Hawaiian Native/Pacific Islander Male Non-Hispanic   |        |
| White Female Hispanic                                |        |
| White Female Non-Hispanic                            | 9      |
| White Male Hispanic                                  |        |
| White Male Non-Hispanic                              | 9      |
| Total Group  | 42     |

Census tract(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Completed By: AB Date: 09/26/2005

Section 21. Required consultation or coordination between the lead agency and/or the RFO and another governmental unit including tribes:

Easements, permissions, or permits:

Sponsor has secured all relevant easements needed to commence emergency work

Mitigation Description:

Mitigation is expected to be minimal

Agencies, persons, and references consulted, or to be consulted:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
New Orleans District  
Brain Breaux

LA Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Scenic Streams Division  
Kyle Bacham  
Baton Rouge, LA (225) 765-2800



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**Section 3 Engineering Cost Estimate**

Completed By: LJB Date:           

09/19/2005

**This section must be completed by each alternative considered (attach additional sheets as necessary).**

| Proposed Recovery Measure<br>(including mitigation) | Quantity | Units | Unit Cost (\$ | Amount (\$ |
|---|----------|-------|---------------|------------|
| Mobilization and Demobilization                     | 1        | LS    | 5,000.00      | 5,000.00   |
| Channel Obstruction Removal                         | 4300     | LF    | 27.75         | 119,325.00 |
| Seeding, Sprigging and Mulching                     | 3        | AC    | 200.00        | 600.00     |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
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|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
|   |          |       |               | 0.00       |
| Total Installation Cost (Enter in Section 1F)\$     |          |       |               | 124,925.00 |

Unit Abbreviations:

|    |             |       |             |
|----|-------------|-------|-------------|
| AC | Acre        | LS    | Lump Sum    |
| CY | Cubic Yard  | SF    | Square Feet |
| EA | Each        | SY    | Square Yard |
| HR | Hour        | TN    | Ton         |
| LF | Linear Feet | Other | (Specify)   |

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#### Section 4 NRCS EWP Funding Priority

Complete the following section to compute the funding priority for the recovery measures in this application (see instructions on page 10).

| Priority Ranking Criteria   | Yes                                 | No                                  |                 | Ranking Number Plus Modifier |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 1. Is this an exigency situation?   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            |                 | 1e                           |
| 2. Is this a site where there is serious, but not immediate threat to human life?   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                 |                              |
| 3. Is this a site where buildings, utilities, or other important infrastructure components are threatened?  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                 |                              |
| 4. Is this site a funding priority established by the NRCS Chief?   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |                 |                              |
| <b>The following are modifiers for the above criteria</b>   |                                     |                                     | <b>Modifier</b> |                              |
| a. Will the proposed action or alternatives protect or conserve federally-listed threatened and endangered species or critical habitat?   |                                     |                                     |                 |                              |
| b. Will the proposed action or alternatives protect or conserve cultural sites listed on the National Register of Historic Places?  |                                     |                                     |                 |                              |
| c. Will the proposed action or alternatives protect or conserve prime or important farmland?  |                                     |                                     |                 |                              |
| d. Will the proposed action or alternatives protect or conserve existing wetlands?  |                                     |                                     |                 |                              |
| e. Will the proposed action or alternatives maintain or improve current water quality conditions?   |                                     |                                     | e               |                              |
| f. Will the proposed action or alternatives protect or conserve unique habitat, including but not limited to, areas inhabited by State-listed species, fish and wildlife management area, or State identified sensitive habitats? |                                     |                                     |                 |                              |

Enter priority computation in Section 1A, NRCS Entry, Funding priority number.

Remarks:

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Section 5A Findings

Finding: Indicate the preferred alternative from Section 2 (Enter to Section 1E): *Remove all storm debris from channel by conventional methods.*

*I have considered the effects of the action and the alternatives on the Environmental Economic, Social; the Special Environmental Concerns; and the extraordinary circumstances (40 CFR 1508.27). I find for the reasons stated below, that the preferred alternative:*

Has been sufficiently analyzed in the EWP PEIS (reference all that apply)

Chapter 5.2.2.1.2 -

Chapter 5.2.2.2.2 -

Chapter - -

Chapter - -

Chapter - -

May require the preparation of an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement

The action will be referred to the NRCS State Office on this date:

NRCS representative of the DSR team

Title: - Date: -

*A. Beuhf*  
*Dist. Cons. - 9/26/05*

Section 5B Comments:

Section 5C

Sponsor Concurrence:

Sponsor Representative

Title: - Date: -

Section 6 Attachments:

- A. Location Map
- B. Site Plan or Sketches
- C. Other (explain)